

Nigeria

Water, sanitation and hygiene

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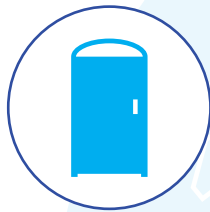
What do we want to change?



1 in 3 Nigerians does not have access to basic drinking water services



On average, people living in rural areas have access to only **4 litres** of water per capita each day



47 million

Nigerians defecate in the open (33 million more use unimproved toilets)



34% of schools and **12%** of hospitals have access to basic sanitation services

What are our priorities?



Eliminating open defecation by 2025



Bringing water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) to disadvantaged communities in rural areas



Improving access to safe water and sanitation in schools and health care facilities



Sanitation and hygiene promotion and awareness creation

What are we doing?



Providing WASH services and infrastructure development in rural communities, schools, health care facilities



Supporting the open defecation eradication campaign plan led by the government



Supporting sanitation demand creation through community approaches, sanitation marketing and financing, and hygiene promotion strategies



Strengthening the WASH sector policy and institutional environment at the national and sub-national levels for better WASH governance and service delivery

What have we accomplished?



1.7 million

people have gained access to improved water facilities and 2.2 million people have access to improved toilets



3,908

communities supported to become certified open defecation free through community approaches



1,227 schools and **599**

primary health care centres have been equipped with WASH services



2.4 million

people have benefited from UNICEF's hygiene promotion improvement distribution of hygiene supplies

What do we need?



Strong political commitment at the sub-national level



Advocacy and awareness-raising on Nigeria's WASH challenges, especially within the sanitation and hygiene sector and across marginalized and disadvantaged groups



Increased and well-targeted WASH funding at all levels, especially for rural areas



Increased private sector engagement in the WASH sector